

**PROGRAM INTEGRITY
REQUEST FOR REGULATION INTERPRETATION**

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 -10 of the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. Retain a copy of the Word Document for your records, and submit via email to: PIIPolicy@dss.ca.gov.

1. REQUESTOR NAME: Tori Garcia	5. COUNTY: Merced - IEVS
2. PHONE NO: (209) 385-7589 EMAIL: agarcia@hsa.co.merced.ca.us	6. SUBJECT: IPV and WTW sanctioned individuals
3. REGULATION CITE(S): MPP § 20-353.5, MPP § 42-721.481	7. REFERENCES: (ACLs/ACINs, COURT CASES Etc.)
4. DATE OF REQUEST: 11/16/2017	8. DATE RESPONSE NEEDED: 11/27/2017

9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

A CalWorks/CalFresh household consists of Mom, Dad and 2 children; Dad receives a WTW sanction which is imposed 8/2016 he later receives an IPV for CalWorks/CalFresh effective 2/2017.

Is this IPV penalty for CalWorks suspended until the WTW sanction is lifted?

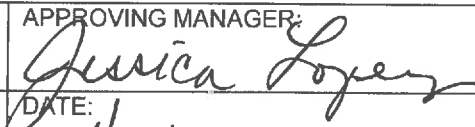
10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

All findings in the review of the regulations show if the AU or individual responsible for the IPV goes off aid prior to imposing or during the IPV penalty period, the IPV penalty is suspended until the individual is determined eligible for CalWORKs

The County proposes that the IPV penalty can not start until the Dad is eligible for CalWorks when the WTW sanction is lifted.

11. CDSS RESPONSE:

Yes. Per MPP § 20-353.5, "If the individual is not eligible for the CalWORKs Program at the time the disqualification period is to begin, the period shall be postponed until the person applies for and is determined to be eligible for benefits." In this case, the disqualification shall be postponed until the sanctioned person's aid is restored in accordance with MPP § 42-721.481.

PROGRAM INTEGRITY ANALYST: Cassandra Wagner	APPROVING MANAGER: 
DATE: 04/12/2018	DATE: 4/20/2018

DATE RESPONSE RECEIVED/LOG # (CDSS Use Only):

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